(*d*) The preliminary project was modified after inspection by the Superintending Engineer so as to provide for sufficient length of feeder channel and to restore 35 tanks fed by this project.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) The atchkatdars of Shimoga taluk did not execute mutchalikas agreeing to pay the required contribution earlier.

(*g*) Atchkatdars of 17 tanks have executed mutchalikas The atchkatdars of two tanks have stated that they have adequate supply even now and that they can pay a contribution of Rs. 10 only per acre.

(*h*) Detailed surveys will be necessary to find out if the tanks referred to can be fed from the proposed *anecut*.

A statement showing the tanks that can be benefited in Kumsi Sub-taluk is appended.

(*i*) Preparation of the detailed project is being expedited. Action will be taken in the matter as early as possible.

PATEL HALAPPA (Harihar—Rural).—

Q.—170. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether has been a survey regarding the extent of indebtedness of the raiyats in the State ; if so, the amount of indebtedness ;

(*b*) whether the Government have taken up any measures to remove the indebtedness ; if so, what they are ; whether the raiyats have been benefited by such measures ?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (*Rajasevaprasakta* B. T. Kesavaiengar).—

A.—(*a*) No. regular survey of the whole State has been held. The Agriculturists' Relief Committee appointed in 1934 have roughly estimated the total indebtedness at about 35 crores of rupees.

(*b*) The following are some of the measures which have been adopted :—

(1) Expansion of the Co-operative Movement and establishment of Land Mortgage Banks
(2) Enactment of the Agriculturists' Relief Act and the Money-Lenders Act.
(3) Passing of the Debt Conciliation Act and the establishment of Debt Conciliation Boards.
(4) Grant of takavi and land improvement loans.
(5) Establishment of Marketing Societies.
(6) Supply of manure, improved varieties of seeds, etc., by the Agricultural Department.

MR. B. D'SOUZA (Indian Christian).—

Q.—172. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) (i) the number of official witnesses examined in all the criminal courts during, the year 1940–41, and

(ii) the amount of batta paid to them ;

(*b*) (i) the number of non-official witnesses examined in all the criminal courts during the year 1940–41, and

(ii) the amount of batta paid to them ;

(*c*) the probable amount of money that will be required to pay batta to all non-official witnesses in criminal cases ;

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. H. V. Narayana Rao).—

A.—(*a*) (i) 7,476.

(ii) Rs. 1,115-15-6.

(*b*) (i) 41,246.

(ii) Rs. 1,239-6-6.

(*c*) Rs. 67,690.

MR. L. VENKATANARANAPPA (Chamarajnagar—Rural).—

Q.—173. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount of income derived by Government—talukwar, in the case of the following items :—

Land Revenue, Land Revenue Miscellaneous, Jodi, Local Cess, Irrigation Cess, Railway Cess, Education Cess and the total;

(*b*) whether the Shanbhogs and Patels have been doing the work of collection and writing of accounts pertaining to the above items ;

(*c*) if so, whether the *potgi* that is now being paid to them is calculated only on the land revenue assessment or on the total income realised ?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (*Rajasevaprasakta* B. T. Kesavaiengar).—

A.—(*a*) *Vide* Statements appended. (*Vide* Appendix).

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The *potgi* is calculated not on the land revenue assessment only but on the gross revenue of the village which includes the following items :—

(1) The annual assessment of occupied Government lands, including permanent water rate.

(2) Jodi and quitrent in Inam villages and lands including Kayamgutta.

(3) Local, Irrigation, Railway, Education, Coffee and other cesses, if any.

(4) Temporary assessment and temporary water-rate (based on the average collections of 3 years preceding).

(5) Amarayi (based on the average collections of 3 years preceding).

MR. K. GURUBASAVIAH (Tumkur—Rural).—

Q.—174. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the *atchkat* of the Mydala tank in the Tumkur taluk :

(*b*) the year from which water is supplied from the above tank to Tumkur town ;

(*c*) the original and enhanced capacity of the tank and quantity required for water supply to Tumkur town ;

(*d*) whether sufficient quantity of water is given for cultivation for the entire *atchkat* for two crops a year or is there any restriction ;

(*e*) if so, what compensation is given to the raiyats ;

(*f*) whether representations have been made in this connection ;

(*g*) whether arrangements would be made early to convert some portion of the wet land to dry land if water could not be supplied for the entire *atchkat* ?